(d) if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The boundary dispute between Karnataka and Maharashtra relates to the claim of Karnataka for the transfer of contiguous Kannada-speaking areas in Maharashtra to Karnataka and the claim of Maharashtra for transfer of Marathi-speaking areas in Karnataka to Maharashtra.

(c) and (d) The approach of the Central Government in the matter has consistently been that this dispute can be resolved only with the willing cooperation of the State Governments concerned. The Government of Maharashtra has presently filed a suit in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, which is pending in the Apex Court.

Modernisation of Police force in Chhattisgarh

†1560. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) for what amount the proposal has been forwarded by the State Government for modernization of police froce in Chhattisgarh and when this proposal was sent;

(b) the funds provided to the State Government under this proposal during 2006-07 and when;

(c) the funds demanded by other State Governments for modernization of police force during 2005-06 and 2006-07, and the funds provided to them; and

(d) the details of the tasks undertaken and being undertaken under this proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Government of Chhattisgarh sent a proposal Rs. 22.02 crore on 27-07-2006 for modernization of Chhattisgarh Police under the Central Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme), against the approved outlay of Rs. 21.33 crore, which includes Central share of Rs. 16.00 crore.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) Central assistance of Rs.11.00 crore has been released to the Government of Chhattisgarh as on 15-11-2006 as per the terms of the Scheme and utilization of funds reported by the State Government.

(c) During 2005-06 and 2006-07, the total funds sought by all the State Governments were Rs.1814.93 crore and Rs. 1066.68 crore respectively. However, as per availability of Central funds, an amount of Rs.1025.00 crore was released to the States during 2005-06. During 2006-07, an amount of Rs.674.74 crore has already been released out of the B.E. allocation of Rs. 900.00 crore.

(d) The action plan of Chhattisgarh for 2006-07 under the MPF Scheme covers critical items of police infrastructure, such as construction of secure police stations, modern weapons, mobility, equipment for communication, security, training, etc.

Specialised training for tackling Naxalism

1561. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to provide specialized army training to both the State and Central police forces to help the naxal affected States;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of training programmes proposed to be organized in Orissa, to strengthen their counter-terrorism and jungle warfare tactics?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Necessary steps have been taken to provide specialized training to the Central and State Police Personnel engaged in anti-naxalite operations. Some of the training programmes have also been organized by the Army authorities.

(c) A number of courses are organized from time to time at the training Institutions of the CPMFs to strengthen counter-terrorism and jungle warfare tactics of the State Police forces including in Orissa.